## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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Appln. No.:

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For: PROCESS FOR DENITRIFICATION AND EXHAUST GASSES,

PARTICULARLY FOR LEAN OPERATED INTERNAL COMBUSION ENGINES

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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Box: PATENT APPLICATION
Honorable Commissioner of
Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows:

Replacement pages 1, 3 and 5 are provided wherein the following amendments are made in the specification:

## IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, before paragraph [0001] insert:

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BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Field of the Invention

Page 1, paragraph [0001], lines 2-3, delete "according to ... Claim 1".

Page 1, before paragraph [0002] insert:

Description of the Related Art

NF Page 3, before paragraph [0008] insert:

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION